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PREFACE.

THE TWO VOLUMES called *Subsidia Primaria* are mainly designed to be Companion Books to the 'Public School Latin Primer.'

But the First Course, contained in the present Volume, is so arranged that it can be used as an Elementary Grammar by those whose method is to teach Latin by examples, with the help of the *vox viva*, and without rote lessons.

Others may find it convenient to begin the use of the Primer after elementary practice in the first twenty or thirty sections of this Volume; and to carry on both books in the weekly work of a class, not *pari passu*, but so as to keep the lessons of the First Course, until it has been learnt once, always in advance of the rote lessons from the Primer. The First Course may then be repeated with constant reference to the Primer, especially to its Syntax rules, which, as well as its earlier sections,

should be then included in the weekly scheme of lessons. Guidance for the use of this Course in connection with the Primer will be found in the table at page 131.

There are many, however, who think that, for children learning a dead language, no foundation is so sure and strong as a short Grammatical Synthesis, memorially learnt. To meet their views, a new Edition of the 'Child's Latin Primer,' adapted to the principles of the 'Public School Latin Primer,' is now published, for which the present Volume will supply a sufficient Exercise Book.

In the subsequent Volume, the Second Course, consisting of questions on the Primer, is meant to be used in connection with the Third and Fourth Courses, which form, as will be seen, a gradual Delectus of Exercises for practice in Latin Grammar, exemplifying the principles and rules of the Primer. A Vocabulary is added, and a certain number of Notes, but not so many as to dispense with that help which judicious teaching alone can supply.

For various reasons, and after consulting various authorities, the Editor deems it best to publish *Subsidia Primaria* on his own single responsibility. It must, however, be understood that the teaching of both volumes is in strict agreement with that of the Primer.

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